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Plans June Bridal



(Bosworth Studio)

SUSAN E. BARKETT

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth P. Barkett of 5 Belle St., Agawam, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Susan Elizabeth, to Mr. George Robert Madden, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Madden of 307 Home St., Teaneck, New Jersey. The wedding is planned for June 1 at Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills.

Miss Barkett is a graduate of Agawam High School and Andover Institute of Business.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Teaneck High School, New Jersey, is now serving with the U. S. Navy stationed at Combustion Engineering Nuclear Power Training Unit, Windsor, Conn.

Stamp Drive To Aid Senior Citizen's 'Drop-In-Center'

An appeal to all town citizens wishing to support the Agawam Council of the Aging Drop-In-Center was issued today by Cadet Girl Scout Troop 39. In their effort to obtain a "hope for" item of equipment for the center, the girls will conduct a town wide stamp drive, beginning today.

Trading Stamps of any kind will be accepted. There will be boxes for stamp deposit in three local business establishments; Agawam Food Mart, Agawam Center Pharmacy, and Shear's Market, Feeding Hills.

In issuing her appeal to Agawam residents Miss Libby Nunn, chairman of the Stamp Drive, commented, "The trading stamps of one day's shopping will bring many happy hours to our senior citizens. I hope many people will join us in bringing them pleasure."

"The Cadet Scouts have taken the 'Drop-In-Center' as their project of active citizenship this year. They have made flower centerpieces, doilies, sofa pillows, and decorated waste baskets for the lounge, aprons, potholders, and towels for the kitchen. They

have donated a large bulletin board for the center. They will act as junior hostesses on opening day, and are looking forward to serving as volunteers at the center.

Girls working on the project under the direction of Mrs. Theodore Zebert are: Debbie Snyder, Libby Nunn, Brenda Walker, Ka-

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Feeding Hills HCIL Group Meet Monday

The Feeding Hills Hampden County Improvement League Group will meet Monday, May 27 at 8 at the home of Alice Stahovich, 62 Annabelle St. off of Springfield St.

Planning of the Fall Programs will take place with an excellent selection to choose from: Final plans will be made for the annual banquet, election of officers will take place and a demonstration of making aluminum foil roses will be given by Ellie Broz. Hostesses for the evening will be Alice Stahovich and Helen Lawrenchuk.

The public is invited.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE ROUTE

The Memorial Day Parade and Ceremonies will start at 10:30 a.m., from the American Legion Home staging area, east on Springfield St., to O'Brien's Corner; continuing straight down Maple St. to Walnut St.; south on Walnut St. to Springfield St., east to Agawam Bridge.

After wreath ceremonies will proceed in formation to shopping center parking lot to speaker's platform.

The invocation will be given by Rev. Samuel Fayad of St. Anthony's Church and the benediction by Rev. Kenneth Thornton of Agawam Methodist Church. Guest speaker will be Rep. Walter T. Kerr and Eugene Lund will present the school poster awards.

A Flag raising ceremony and open house will be held at the VFW Post 1632 on South St., Agawam, following the parade.

Garden Club Slates Plant Sale Saturday

The annual Plant Sale of the Agawam Garden Club will be held this Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., on the grounds of the Agawam Congregational Church.

Potted geraniums will be available as well as a variety of perennial plants, shrubs and small evergreens. Workers at the sale will arrange cemetery pots upon request.

A home-baked food table and white elephant booth will be held in conjunction with the plant sale. The sale will be held rain or shine.

Order Of Moose To Form New Lodge In Agawam

A new Moose Lodge to be known as AGAWAM, MASS. LODGE No. 1935, will be instituted on May 26, starting at 10 a. m., in the National Guard Armory on Maynard St., Agawam, it was announced today by Samuel M. Smith, Membership Director, who is organizing the lodge.

Mr. Smith estimates that a charter class of 150 new members will be enrolled into the new lodge. Serving as the class representative will be Wilfred H. Bissonnette, Armorer. Ritual work will be exemplified by the de-

gree staff of Westfield, Mass. Lodge No. 1255.

Institution of the new lodge will be handled by Charles E. Cook, State Director. He will be assisted by Pilgrim Degree Staff from Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Installing officer will install the officers who will serve as Governor, Junior Past Governor, Junior Governor, Prelate, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee (3), Sgt. At Arms, Inner Guard and Outer Guard.

A number of Moose dignitaries and members from this area are expected to attend the meeting: State President, Robert Medeiros; Vice-Presidents from District No. 1 — Hugh McLellan; District No. 2 — Alfred Dorazio; District No. 3 — Joseph Convery; District No. 4 — Joseph Supreme Governor — Raymond Corker; Trustee of the Moose Foundation Board — Richard I. Furbush; Deputy Grand North Moose — William Bolsover; and State Secretary — Frank Feighery.

After the ritual, relatives and friends will be invited to participate in the actual installation and following the installation there will be a smorgasbord and entertainment.

On May 25th, Saturday at 7:30 p. m. at the National Guard Armory on Maynard St. there will be a get-together and dance at a nominal fee for all prospective members and their guests. The "Twilighters" under the direction of Leo Marcoux will play for both affairs.

St. David's Public Smorgasbord Sat.

The activities group of St. David's Church will sponsor a public smorgasbord Saturday with continuous servings starting at 5 to 6:30 p.m., in the parish house on Springfield St., Feeding Hills.

The menu will include, roast turkey, baked ham, lasagna, spare ribs and sauerkraut, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, potato salad, cole slaw, jellied salads, scalloped potatoes, relishes, rolls and butter, homemade pies, coffee, tea and milk.

Tickets will be available at the door or for reservations call Mrs. Charles Astifan at 737-7598.

Homemade pies will be on sale in the upper parish house.

Jaycees Banquet Installation June 3

The Agawam Jaycees annual installation banquet will be held at the St. Anne's Country Club on June 3 at 7 p.m. with the installation to take place at 8.

Mr. George Reynolds, Selectman for the town of Agawam, will be the keynote speaker.

Mr. Jay Mercer, of Chicopee, Jaycee State Vice-President, will be the installing officer.

Donald Wade NHS Scholarship Alternate

Mr. Raymond E. Harris has been notified by the National Honor Society of the National Association of Secondary School Principals that Donald Alan Wade has been selected as an alternate for a \$500 National Honor Society Scholarship.

Local Students To Receive Degrees At St. Joseph College



ELIZABETH L. DONOVAN

Two Agawam girls will receive degrees at the 34th annual Commencement Exercises of St. Joseph College, West Hartford, Conn. Graduation exercises will be held June 2 at 4 p. m. in the Horace Bushnell Memorial Hall in Hartford. The degrees will be conferred by the Most Rev. Henry J. O'Brien, Archbishop of Hartford. The young women are Miss Elizabeth Lee Donovan and Miss Denise Marie Phaneuf.

Miss Donovan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Donovan of 301 Rowley St., will receive a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Mathematics. At the college, she was a member of the Spanish Club and the Curriculum Com-



DENISE M. PHANEUF

mittee. She served as the vice-president of the Math Club and as chairman of the Archbishop's Reception. During her Junior and Senior Years, Miss Donovan served as an assistant with a National Science Foundation In-service Institute. She is a 1964 graduate of Agawam High School.

Miss Phaneuf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Armand L. Phaneuf of 25 Ley St., will receive a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Child Study. As an undergraduate, she was active as a member of the Dance Club, the Child Study Club, and Queen's Company. Miss Phaneuf is a 1964 graduate of Ursuline Academy.

CHURCH NEWS

AGAWAM METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam
 Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister
 Ronald Ashton, Lay Leader
 Mrs. Herbert Binns, Organist
 Mrs. Marshall Keyes
 Sanctuary Choir Director
 Mary Alexander,
 Youth Choir Director
 Sandra Garfield,
 Church Secretary

Thursday — 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Cadettes.

Friday: Bowling banquet at Mittineague Methodist Church.

Saturday: 9:00 a. m. All church work day, painting, repairing, mowing lawns, etc.; 11 a. m. Worship Service at East Longmeadow Nursing Home.

Sunday: 9:30 a. m. Worship Service. Nursery for infants. Church School in session; 10:30 a. m. Fellowship Hour; 6:30 p. m. Youth Group meeting.

Monday: 6:30 p. m. Junior Choir practice.

Tuesday—6:30 p. m. Youth Choir practice; 7:30 p. m. Adult Study Group.

Wednesday: 7:30 p. m. Sanctuary Choir practice.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor
 Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director
 Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist
 Mrs. Barbara Briggs,
 Church Secretary

Thursday: 10 a. m. The Knit

and Stitch Circle meet at home of Mrs. Hazel Southworth on Lealand Ave.; 7:30 p. m. Choir rehearsal at church; 7:30 p. m. ABC Community Kindergarten will graduate their afternoon class.

Friday: The Suburban Church Bowling League annual banquet at the Mittineague Methodist Church, West Springfield, at 6:30 p. m.

Saturday: 9 a. m. The United Women's Fellowship food sale at the Agawam Food Mart.

Sunday — 9:30 a. m. Morning Worship — Rev. Lockhart will preach the service and Senior choir will sing, and Pastor talks with children.

Tuesday—6:30 p. m. Melody Choir rehearsal at church.

Wednesday: 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m. Trading Post open.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister
 Mrs. A. G. Toussaint,
 Minister of Music

Friday — 7 p. m. Boy Scout meeting; 7:30 p. m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal.

Saturday—8:45 a. m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a. m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday — 9 a. m. Church at Morning Worship — Mr. Bryan preaching, and Church School, Nursery thru 6th Grade; 10 a. m. Church School, 7th grade thru 12th grade; 11 a. m. Church at

Morning Worship — Mr. Bryan preaching. The graduating class from the Church School will be honored at this service.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.
 Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, Pastor
 Mrs. Frederick Nardi, Organist

Thursday: 8 p. m. The Crozier Memorial Committee meets, 7:30 p. m. Senior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday: 9:30 a. m. Church School classes k-9th. 11 a. m. Worship Service.

Monday: 8 p. m. Special meeting with Visitation Team from the Hampden Association, Mass. Conference, United Church of Christ. The team will explain the biennial emphasis: "The Local Church in God's Mission." All Officers and Chairmen are urged to be present.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

FEEDING HILLS
 Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.
 Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.

Saturday—4:30 and 7:30 p. m. Confessions

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30 a. m. Masses.

Tuesday—7:30 p. m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.,
 Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.

Saturday—4 to 5 p. m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. confessions.

MASS SCHEDULE
 Sundays—7, 8:30, 10:30 a. m., 5:30 p. m.

Week days—7 a. m.

Holy days—7 and 9 a. m., 5:30 and 7:30 p. m.

Tuesdays—7:30 p. m. St. Anthony Devotions.

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Thursday — Ascension Day: Holy Communion, 6:30 a. m.-9 a. m.-7:30 p. m. At the 6:30 a. m. Service the Confirmed Youth will attend. There will be a Communion breakfast in the parish hall

immediately following the service. The breakfast is being sponsored by the Mothers group.

Friday — 6:30 p. m. Bowling banquet for the members of the church bowling team.

Saturday—5 to 6:30 p. m. Public supper-smorgasbord, put on by members of the Activities club in the parish hall, continuous servings.

Sunday—8 a. m. Holy Communion; 10 a. m. Matins and Sermon; 7 p. m. Evening Prayer.

Tuesday—7 p. m. Acolytes meet at the Church.

Wednesday — 9 a. m. Midweek Prayer service.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce
 Rev. Albert Blanchard

Saturday—9 a. m. CCD classes, grades 7 to 6; Confessions 4 to 5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p. m.

MASS SCHEDULE
 Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a. m.

Monday—CCD classes for all students in grades 7 thru 12 at 7 p. m.

Tuesday—5:30 p. m., Mass followed by Miraculous Medal Novena.

Wednesday—5:30 p. m. Mass.

ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard
 MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass—7 a. m.

Saturday—8 a. m. Mass — 4:30 and 7:30 Confessions.

Sunday — 7, 9 and 11 a. m. Mass.

Tuesday—7 p. m. St. Theresa Novena Devotions

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

"THE CHURCH ON THE HILL"
 Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister
 Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director
 Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist
 Mrs. Richard Orr,
 Church Secretary

Sunday: 10 a. m. Morning Worship with sermon: "Some Fundamental Truths"; Sunday School in Boeder House.

Monday: 7:30 p. m. Research for America Group. Everyone cordially invited.

Gas station attendant to woman motorist with dented fender: "I don't know whether I should sell you any gasoline or not. It looks to me like you've had enough already."



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As a switch from strawberry shortcake, make a fresh strawberry sauce to serve over ice cream or sponge cake.

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 1 tablespoon corn starch
 1/2 cup water

Red food coloring, optional
 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice

Wash and hull berries. Cut up enough to make 1/2 cup; mash, mix with sugar and then with corn syrup. Blend corn starch and water. Combine with mashed berries in saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture is thickened and clear. Add a few drops food coloring, if desired. Cool. Cut about half the remaining berries in two. Sprinkle lemon juice over whole and halved berries; add to cooled mixture. Chill until serving time. Makes about 1 1/2 cups.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts.
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 Rev. John N. Garner, Pastor

Sunday — 9:45 a. m., Bible School for all ages; 11 a. m., morning worship service. There is a supervised nursery service available upstairs in the church during both Bible School and morning service; 7 p. m., evening service

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Round The Town



By Ann Nael
phone ST 8-8996

A surprise birthday party with over thirty guests attending was held Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stone, Jr., of Hampden, in honor of Mr. Stone's father, Arthur, Sr., of Agawam. A buffet lunch, and a birthday cake was served.

Once again the citizens of Agawam are cordially invited to visit the main foyer of Agawam High School to see the display of graduates of class '68 and their plans for the future. This is an annual joint effort of the Art Dept., under the direction of Miss Geraldine Schilling and Mr. David Skolnick, of the Guidance Dept.

Fireman Donald Gowdy, Jr., stationed in Portland, Me., aboard the Coast Guard Cutter Castle Rock, and his fiancée, Miss Rosemary Direio of Englewood, New Jersey, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gowdy, Sr., of North St., Feeding Hills. Miss Direio will become the bride of Mr. Gowdy on October 12th at three o'clock in St. Cecilia's Church in Englewood.

Two representatives from Agawam, of the Prudential Insurance Company's West Springfield District, 2119 Riverdale Rd., West Springfield, attended the annual meeting of the Northeastern region at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel in Montreal May 15 to May 18.

The group consisted of Mr. Joseph Pisano, Agent of 2 McGrath Terrace, Agawam, and Mr. Charles J. Knudson, Agent of 92 Parkview Drive, Agawam.

The four day session featured classes and seminars in advanced insurance subjects, taught by company executives.

HARTFORD — Frederick Desjarlais presented a senior voice recital last Tuesday, at Hartt College of Music, University of Hartford, Desjarlais, a bass, is a student of Cantor Arthur Koret.

A 1961 graduate of Agawam High School, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick E. Desjarlais, 10 Kirkland St.

Sony Corp. Has Color Tube for TV

Tokyo
Sony Corporation has developed an improved color-television tube which it says will break the virtual monopoly now held by Radio Corporation of America.

The Japanese electronics firm has named its new tube the Trinitron. Sony says the tube has a "brighter, sharper picture with excellent contrast."

Other attributes reported are "simple structure in picture tube, less components and simpler circuits in the set, higher reliability, simple adjustments and less electric-power consumption, which make it easier to transistorize and thereby to miniaturize."

Plans now are for a 12-inch, transistorized color TV set using Trinitron. Sony will market it in October in Japan with a price tag of 120,000 yen (\$333).

At present most of the color tubes used by color-television makers are supplied by RCA.

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Agawam Senior Musically Honored



JOHN K. LOWELL

The only New England High school musician accepted as a member of the 1968 United States of America High School Band is an Agawam High School senior, John Keith Lowell, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Lowell of Gunn-Geary Lane.

John leaves on June 21st, flying to Memphis, Tenn., where he will have four days of intensive rehearsals with other selected members of the Band. This will be followed by a month of concerts and sightseeing in San Antonio (Hemisphere), Dallas, and El Paso, Texas; Monterey and Jau-rez, Mexico; Phoenix; Los Angeles; Disneyland; Salt Lake City; Las Vegas; and Denver, Colorado.

Sponsored by the First Chair of America, a national musical honorary society, this group of 80 superior musicians from all parts of America is assembled each year for a musical tour, and has invited local civic clubs to honor and recognize some talented musician in their town. Since the tour this year includes playing a concert for the International Lions Convention in Dallas, Texas, our Agawam Lions Club has already presented John a musical scholarship of \$200 towards trip expenses.

Active musically during school years, John is a 1st chair member of the High School concert and marching band; dance band; Woodwind ensemble, and show orchestra. He has been Solo Clarinet of Westfield State College

concert band, and has contributed to the Agawam Elementary Concert Band and Woodwind Quartet, serving both as Teacher and Assistant Conductor. He has been accepted at Lowell State College where he will major in Music Education, studying clarinet with Mr. William Wrzensien of the New England Conservatory.

Duclos Enrolled At NDEA Institute

Charles J. Duclos of 260 Walnut St., Agawam, Mass., is one of some 30 teachers from New England and New York who are enrolled in an N.D.E.A. Institute for Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages, which will be offered during the summer at St. Michael's College.

The program is being financed under Title II of the National Defense Education Act by the U. S. Office of Health, Education and Welfare.

Duclos holds an A.B. degree from St. Michael's College, Winooski, Vt., and a Master of Education degree from Westfield State College.

He is currently a teacher of English at the John J. Lynch Junior High School in Holyoke, Mass.

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COLLEGE NEWS

LOWELL — William R. Henry has been elected president of the Student Council of Lowell Technological Institute. Elections were conducted among the more than 2000 LTI undergraduates on campus last week.

A chemical engineering major in the class of '69, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Henry of 420 Main St., Agawam. A resident dorm proctor, he is also a brother of Omicron Pi fraternity.

The government is concerned about the population explosion — but it's also true that the population is concerned about the government explosion.

Kelley, Jr. Serving Aboard USS Benner

(J0090) USS BENNER (DD-807) Long Beach, Calif., (FHT-NC) — Naval Reserve Lieutenant (junior grade) Joseph M. Kelley Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Kelly of 12 With-eridge St., Agawam, Mass., is serving aboard the destroyer USS Benner at Long Beach, Calif.

As a crewmember he is helping to prepare the ship for its forthcoming departure with the seventh fleet.

Stamp Drive . . .

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ren Balboni, Carol Walker, Nancy Norris, Lynn Monachaise, Debbie Taupier, Cathy Niemiec, Sandra and Sally Krolicki, Sarah Adams, and Denise Pepper.

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Where Are We Going?

One of the dictionary definitions of the word "progress" is "A proceeding forward; advancement or improvement in mental, moral or physical condition; growth or development."

Agawam is indeed progressing, proceeding, advancing, but in what direction? What is the goal? What is to be the end result of our progress?

If we have 20,000 people within our 5-mile-square town, will we be any better off with 40,000? Does progress mean more schools, more taxes, more water pipes, more sewer lines, more roads, more swimming pools, more boats, houses built in all the swamps?

Just what is progress?

"Is 'more' of everything enough? Will 'more' result in greater happiness, a richer life and a larger percentage of Grade A, top quality human beings?

What is the goal? Where are we going?

LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

By WILMA C. GILLAN

American Legion Auxiliary will hold its annual Poppy Drive at Riverside Park this Saturday evening beginning at 6 p.m. All Unit members, Junior members and Post members are urged and invited to assist with this most worthwhile project. Veteran-made poppies will be available for distribution and all proceeds will be used to further the work at Leeds' Veterans Hospital and the Holyoke Soldiers' Home. If you want any further information you may call the president Mrs. Mary Crawford or the Rehabilitation Chairman Mrs. Jane Whalen.

Delegates and alternates to the Department Convention to be held in Swampscott were elected. Serving as delegates will be the president Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. Gladys Belcher. Alternates are Barbara Connor and Jane Whalen. They will leave Springfield by bus on June 6th returning on June 8th.

Our sympathies are extended to Mrs. Mary Lakeman on the recent loss of her husband, John. Mary is a past-president of our Unit now residing in Texas. We all enjoyed visiting with them when they were in our area last Fall.

Waste Collections:

ROUTE 5

Friday, May 24

Alexander Ave., Barry, Belmont Ave., Bradford Dr., Briarcliffe Dr., Briar Hill Rd., Bristol Dr., Carmel La., Carol Ave., Churchill Ave., Elmer Dr., Fox Farms Rd., Greenwich Dr., Hamar Dr., Hamilton Cir., Hendon Dr., Hickory, Longview Rd., Meyers Dr., New York Ave., North St. Ext., No. West, No. Westfield, Oriole Dr., Overlook Dr., Parkview Dr., Provia Mt. Dr., Pine, Richmond Ave., Ridgeview Dr., Robin Ridge Dr., Roosevelt Ave., So. West, So. Westfield, Southwick, Squire La., Strawberry Hill Rd., Sunset Ter., Tannery Rd., and Thalia Dr.

ROUTE 6

Monday, May 27

DePalma, Doane Ave., Edgewater Rd., Franklin St. Ext., Garden, Gunn-Geary La., Memorial Dr., Mountainview, Phil, Poplar, Porter Dr., Shoemaker La., Silver, Silver Lake Dr., Suffield and Vадnais.

ROUTE 7

Tuesday, May 28

Althea Cir., Anthony, Belle, Brien, Center, Clematis Dr., Colonial Ave., Cooper, Elsie, Fairview, Federal Ave., Federal, Federal St. Ext., Harvey Johnson Dr., Karen Dr., Ley, Poinsetta, Potomac Pl., Prince La., Reed, Samuel, Senator Ave., Stanley Pl., Valentine, Valentine St., Ext., Vernon, Virginia, Washington, Westford Cir., and Woodside Dr.

ROUTE 8

Wednesday, May 29

Allen, Adams, Birch Hill Rd., Carr Ave., Cosgrove Ave., Elm, Emerson Rd., Haskell, Henshaw Ave., Kanawha Ave., Lealand Ave., Main, Mardale Ave., Nile Ave., Oxford, Parker, Perry La., Pineview Cir., Raymond Cir., Riverside Ave., Riverview Ave., Ruskin Ave., Ridge Ave., South, So. Park Ter., Stewart La., Sunnyslope Ave., Thirlmere Ave., Veranda Ave., Woodcliffe Ave. and Wright.

ROUTE 9

Friday, May 31

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THURSDAY — MEMORIAL DAY — NO SCHOOL

SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Orange Juice, ham salad on water roll, potato chips, buttered corn, peanut butter sandwich, brownie, milk.

Tuesday: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, cabbage carrot salad, bread butter, fruit cocktail, milk.

Wednesday: Baked luncheon meat w/pineapple, parslid potatoes, applesauce, bread/butter, strawberry shortcake w/topping, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, hamburger on roll, potato chips, buttered carrots, cheese wedge, peanut butter sandwich, prune spice cake w/butter icing, milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Meat loaf, parsley potato, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, ice cream, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg on bun, green beans, peanut butter sandwich, fruit cup, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, shell macaroni w/meat balls, cabbage carrot salad, bread/butter, prune spice cake, milk.

Friday: Juice, frankfurt on roll, tossed salad, peanut butter sandwich, milk, sliced peaches.

DANAHY

Monday: Juice, toasted ham & cheese roll, candied sweet potatoes, green salad, prune spice cake, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, hamburger on roll w/catsup, buttered corn, cake square w/fruit topping, milk.

Wednesday: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, sliced carrots, cranberry sauce, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Macaroni & cheese w/tomato sauce, green beans, peanut butter/jam sandwich, citrus fruit cup, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Juice, grilled frankfurt on buttered bun, relish, mustard, potato chips, buttered green beans, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, hamburger gravy, fluffy rice, whole kernel corn, bread/butter, pears, milk.

Wednesday: spaghetti w/meat tomato sauce, lettuce tomato salad, peanut butter sandwich, sliced peaches, milk.

Friday: Fish cake (catsup) French fried potatoes, buttered carrots, Vienna Bread/butter, Juice, pineapple tidbits, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Spaghetti w/tomato meat sauce, buttered green beans, cheese or peanut butter sandwich, orange jello w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, hamburger patti on hot buttered roll, buttered carrots, cheese squares, peanut butter sandwich, Hawaiian dessert, milk.

Wednesday: Turkey w/brown gravy, whipped potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, chocolate cake w/coconut icing.

Friday: Orange juice, egg salad sandwich, cheese cube, hash brown potatoes, buttered

peas, vanilla pudding w/topping, milk.

PHELPS

Monday: Spaghetti w/meat tomato sauce, cabbage carrot salad, bread/butter, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Tuesday: Grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered green beans, orange wedges, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, buttered corn, cranberry sauce, bread/butter, candy bar, milk.

Friday: Baked fish sticks, parsley potatoes, tossed salad, peanut butter sandwich, applesauce, milk.

ROBINSON

Monday: Juice, meat ball grinders w/sauce, buttered green beans, cheese sticks, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, cranberry sauce, fudgicle, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti w/meat tomato sauce, farmer's wife salad, peanut butter sandwich, applesauce, milk.

Friday: citrus juice, Tuna fish sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, potato chips, mixed vegetables, dessert, milk.

SOUTH

Monday: Italian spaghetti w/meat tomato sauce, cabbage carrot salad, buttered Vienna bread, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Sloppy Joe on buttered hard roll, cheese sticks, buttered mixed vegetables, citrus fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Hot open turkey sandwich w/gravy, buttered spinach, cranberry sauce, Yellow cake w/raspberry topping, milk.

Friday: Citrus juice, creamed tomato soup, crackers, celery carrot sticks, grilled cheese on rye, deep dish cherry squares, milk.

Couldn't Pull Trigger

MIAMI — The Miami policeman whose gun was snatched from his holster and then fired into his back said he couldn't fire back at his assailant after he had regained the pistol.

"I couldn't pull the trigger," said Big Johnnie Olson. "I looked into his eyes and I couldn't shoot."

"I saw a man who's awful sick. You can't take a man's life away like that," said Officer Olson, a 15-year veteran on the force, who is called "the best shot in the department" by fellow officers.

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The Peirce Parent Teachers Association had its annual installation and dinner last Wednesday at the school. Pictured above are, left to right: Mr. David Skolnick, President of the Agawam Council Parent Teachers Association, who was the installing officer; Mrs. Richard Abbey, outgoing president; Mrs. Gerald Mason, incoming president; and Mrs. Edwin Smith who was the banquet chairman. The Agawam High Dance Band under the direction of Mr. Souza entertained the parents and teachers who attended this event.

3 envelopes unflavored gelatin
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 1 1/2 cups mayonnaise
 2 tablespoons prepared mustard
 3 cups canned or cooked ham
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 1/3 cup finely chopped sweet pickle
 1 tablespoon grated onion
 Soften gelatin in cold water five minutes. Stir in boiling water; place over low heat until gelatin melts. Stir in mayonnaise and mustard. Pour 3/4 cup of gelatin mixture into bottom of six cup fancy mold, ring mold or loaf pan. Chill until firm. Let remaining gelatin stand at room temperature until gelatin in mold is firm. Then cool remaining gelatin mixture until it becomes syrupy in consistency. Blend in remaining ingredients. Pour into mold over plain gelatin; chill until firm. Unmold and serve on a tray with other cold cuts in slices or rolls, or bits of fruit and spinach leaves or watercress for further garnishing. Eight to 10 servings.

Jr. Women To Attend State Federation Meeting Saturday

Mrs. Herbert M. Carpenter, president of the Agawam Junior Women's Club, will head a delegation of 24 women attending the annual meeting of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs, Junior Membership which will be held this Saturday, May 25th, at the Yankee Drummer Inn in Auburn, Mass.

The events of the day will include a business meeting, round table discussions and an awards luncheon. A procession of state officers, district representatives, state chairmen and club presidents will precede a banquet in the evening with installation of new club presidents, district representatives and state officers. At this time Mrs. John Bodurtha, an Agawam Junior Women's Club delegate, will be installed as the 14th District Representative.

Those attending are: Mrs. Theodore LeBlanc, Mrs. Richard Fairburn, Mrs. Franklin Stoll, Mrs. Clyde Spaeth, Mrs. Bruno Maule, Mrs. Albert Magestri, Mrs. Robert Castelli, Mrs. Douglas Kerr, Mrs. James Fenton, Mrs. Arthur Psholka, Mrs. Arthur Hastings, Mrs. James Fogg, Mrs. Louis Mercandante, Mrs. John Bodurtha, Mrs. Donald Laviolette, Mrs. Raymond Stone, Mrs. Arthur Jarvis, Mrs. Stephen Parchick, Mrs. Robert Zulon, Mrs. Daniel Molta, Mrs. Roger Burger, Mrs. William Miller and Mrs. Joseph Masciotra.

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Who Are These Men Called Knights

By JAMES A. O'KEEFE
 District Deputy
 PROGRAMS

The LaFarge Institute. Through this program our Order lends assistance and provides material for thought-provoking dialogue on the state and local council levels in such areas as Inner City Action, Social Justice, Human Rights and Ecumenism.

Decent Literature. The Order continues its leadership in the battle against pornography. It also has made a substantial financial contribution to Citizens for Decent Literature toward the preparation of omicron curiae briefs which successfully supported the convictions for violation of obscenity statutes.

Education —
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bus scholarship programs literally hundreds of thousands have been helped in their pursuit of knowledge. In addition, the Order's Educational Trust Fund provides higher education for the sons and daughters of members in the armed forces who have been killed in battle or become totally disabled in combat.

Charitable and Benevolent Work. Each year millions of dollars are contributed by state and local councils and by the Supreme Council for charitable and benevolent activities. These contributions are made in such areas as help for the needy, the sick and the disabled, for victims of disaster, to homes, hospitals and similar institutions, to welfare organizations for civic activities and various community projects.

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By BILL CHIBA

New Hampshire Fish and Game Dept., is receiving 50,000 Atlantic salmon fry from the State of Vermont and the Technical Committee for Fishery Management of the Connecticut River for stocking in Cold River, a tributary of Conn. River. These fish will be stocked very soon as part of the cooperative effort by Conn., Mass., Vermont, New Hampshire, and the Federal Government to restore sea-run salmon to the Watershed.

These salmon follow an initial stocking last fall of 5,000 yearlings and are expected to help provide information on the ability of the stream to support large numbers of small fish once the runs have been re-established. The target date for complete restoration of anadromous fish to the Watershed in 1980 and fishing for both Atlantic salmon and American shad should be possible several years before this time. Construction of several fish passage facilities and compliance with pollution abatement schedules are major hurdles that must be overcome, but the present outlook is very promising due to the excellent interstate and Federal cooperation.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Due to the fact that the opening day of the deer season falls on Sunday this year in New Hampshire, there has been some confusion concerning the legal dates for the muzzle loading season. The Attorney General has ruled that the 1968 muzzle loading season shall be Nov. 1, 2, and 3 (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday).

FINAL TALLY

The Fish and Game Dept., reports a total deer kill last season of 14,204, which is the highest number on record. Part of this 24% increase in reported kill over the previous high in 1961 is believed to be due to the new system of checking stations that went into effect this past year. Deer harvest data has been organized for computer analysis this year, producing some additional information. One of the new categories was the method of kill—for example, the bow

and arrow hunters taking 33, muzzle loader hunters accounting for 32, and 28 that were killed with hand guns. Residents took a little over 70% of the total number. The average kill per square mile was 1.57.

The reported bear kill was 245, somewhat below last year's record 293, but well above the average annual kill of 165 (since reporting became available in 1955).

A detailed breakdown of the above figures is available to anyone asking for it. Write to the Game Research and Management Div., N. H. Fish & Game Dept., 34 Bridge St., Concord, N. H. 03301.

BEST SEASON

The Conn. Board of Fisheries and Game reports that many veteran cod fishermen are referring to this as "the best season in memory." Excellent catches of 3 to 20 lb. cod continue at Wilderness Point, the Race, Valiant Rock, Black Point, Bartlett's Reef and the "Pink House."

Good catches of large (2½ to 3 lb.) mackerel continued last week in the area from Race Rock to Watch Hill, but the fish are now moving into the western portion of the Sound. Concentrations are reported at the mouth of the Housatonic River and off Port Jefferson.

Striped bass have moved inshore all along the coast, but many of the fish are below the 16" snout to tail fork minimum legal length. Thames River is the best spot.

Very good catches of large winter flounder are being made in deeper waters. Small flats are abundant inshore with blackfish catches improving at outer reefs off central and eastern Conn.

No-Hitter Features
Minor League Action

Jeff Orr, ten-year-old pitcher for Minor Senators pitched a no-hit game Saturday for his second win of the young season. Last week he had a two hitter in beating the Panthers. This week's no-hitter was a 5-2 win because of the loose play of his teammates behind him. Young Jeff struck out 12 while the losing Bomber pitcher, Mike Zuraw struck out 6.

In the first game of Saturday's action, the minor Packers came up with an 11 run fourth inning to bombard three Panther pitchers 21-10. A triple by Dave Hanna started the big rally for the winners. A double by Stan Subotin was the blow which gave the Panthers a short-lived lead in the second inning. Mike Thorsen coasted all the way for the win; Darcy Davis was the loser who was relieved in the third by Johnny Teahan, who was replaced by Ricky Peterson in the fifth.

IT STARTED WITH A
WOMAN

While fishing is usually thought of as a man's sport, the first fishing expert was really a woman.

A printing of a bit of outdoor writing penned on parchment around fourteen twenty-five has been credited to a sweet little English nun named Dame Juliana Berners.

Juliana was born of a royal family in England and did some fishing and hunting as a girl with some of her sporting cousins and friends. Later on, she entered a nunnery at St. Albans and wrote the first known works on fishing.

Juliana wasn't any slouch concerning the art of angling, say the fishing experts at Mercury outboards. For instance, here's how she recommends making a fishing rod.

First you cut a smooth six-foot staff of willow or aspen. Heat it in an oven, get it good and straight, and let it dry for four weeks. The next trick is to get a piece of plumber's wire, heat it red hot, and burn a hole clear through the staff. Then store it in a smokehouse for a while.

Now you take a stroll in the woods and cut a slender slip of hazel the same length. Soak it thoroughly, straighten it out, and let it dry in the smokehouse too. The next step is to trim the hazel whip so it can be inserted into the butt section. Now, fashion a metal pin to hold the two together, and you have a two-section fishing rod.

Juliana advocates such a two section rod because it forms a good walking staff for a Sunday afternoon stroll, and can easily be transformed into a fishing rod if you happen by a good fishing hole.

For a line, Juliana advocates the long horsehairs woven together and colored with a mixture of ale, crushed walnut leaves and alum. Such a line, she says, blends with the water and fools the fish more readily.

In her tips for anglers she recommends not casting a shadow on the water, fishing below waterfalls or in deep pools, fishing when the wind is west and using a wire leader either out of the south or the when fishing for pike.

She makes one more recommendation which is just as true today as it was five hundred and forty-three years ago. Choose your bait with care, she says, "for you cannot bring a hook into a fish's mouth unless there is food on it that pleases him."

Fishing wasn't and isn't the exclusive male sport that some people think it is.

Haranguing his audience, the soap-box orator said: "The time has come to get rid of socialism, communism and anarchism. . . From the rear of the audience came the tremulous voice of an elderly man, "Let's throw out rheumatism, too!"

Little League East

The Senators got their first two wins of the season this week as they saw great pitching performances by Paul LeGrand and Charles Souliere. In Tuesday night's game Charles Souliere pitched a no-hitter in a tremendous mound appearance, but headsup base running as result of a walk, coupled with two errors allowed the Bombers to score in the second and fifth innings. A double by Ray Leopardi knocked in two of the four runs in the fifth inning for the Senators, making the final tally, 7-3.

Friday's game was a squeaker, with the Bomber loser, Alan Morse bested in a pitcher's duel with Paul LeGrand, 2-1. Alan pitched a beautiful two hitter and struck out 12 Senators, but loose play by his teammates who committed four errors, allowed the Senators to score two runs in the 3rd inning to give them the win. Winner, Paul LeGrand had a three-hitter.

The Panthers stretched their win-streak to five for the season thus far, in beating the Packers 7-4 and 7-1. Monday night the Panthers took it on the strong relief pitching of "Bud" Ramah who came on in the third inning to relieve Lenny Horniak who was lifted because of a sore arm. The hitting was equally divided by seven Panthers who each got a single. Tom Machietto went the distance for the Packers. His battery mate was Doug Miller. Jeff Carmody was catcher for Panthers.

On Wednesday night the Panthers racked up 7 runs on ten hits and committed no errors. Hitting star was Tom Sullivan, who in his first appearance as a pitcher, had three base hits, including a double and batted in one run. Tom was relieved by Lennie Horniak in the fifth who pitched well in relief allowing but one base hit in the two final innings. Mike Huba's triple in the third for the losing Packers was the longest hit of the game. Final results were 7-10-0 for the Panthers and 1-4-1 for the Packers.

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Interchurch Baseball
League Expansion

The Agawam Interchurch Baseball League has expanded the number of teams in the league this year from six to eight. Facing a situation that many other growing leagues experienced, the governing board of the league saw fit to divide the eight teams into two divisions. By no coincidence the divisions were named the American and National Leagues.

Opening day is not far away. At Shea's field, May 26, following a brief ceremony, the St. Anthony Crusaders will host the St. John's Leprechauns. Plan to attend this game to open the season in a most appropriate fashion by cheering your favorite team or player to victory.

Other scheduled games for the week are: May 27, at Shea's field, Sacred Heart Shamrocks host St. John's Thunderbirds; at St. John's field, St. John's Angels will host St. Theresa's Knights; May 28, at Phelp's field the Sacred Heart Saints host one of this year's expansion teams, St. John's Legionaires.

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American consumers will soon be buying candlesticks and silverware made from coins they spent years ago.

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The government sold the first melted coins recently and will put one million ounces of coin silver on the auction block each week.

The Treasury has already melted more than three million ounces of silver from the old 90 percent silver dimes and quarters it began withdrawing from circulation last June.

Eventually the department hopes to melt as much as two million ounces of coin silver each week, once the operation hits full stride.

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Hi Squares:

This being the day before our last regular dance of the current season, we are feeling a bit melancholy. The many wonderful folks one meets square-dancing, are of course, not gone over the horizon when the dancing ends, but we do see less of them in the summer; therefore it is fitting and proper that we have one last fling to carry us over until Fall.

We refer, of course, to our annual Steak Roast, which will be held on June the 15th (Saturday) at Sacred Heart Pavilion at 6:30 p. m. We would urge you all to get your reservations made early with the Carl Links — or better than that, sign up at the dance tomorrow evening at 8 p. m. at Robinson Park School. It is going to be a gala affair and a good meal, so what have you got to lose, eh?

Tomorrow evening we will hold our annual meeting for the nomination of officers. We will convene directly after the last "tip" and the meeting should be a short one. Please plan to attend, both for the purpose of making your vote count, and for the pleasure of dancing to the calling of our guest, Ed Blaine. We hear he is terrific!

Our outgoing Publicity Chairman is celebrating a birthday this week. We are not at liberty to mention which one, but from the way he has been kicking up his heels lately, we can guess it is getting near the time for "life to begin." Congratulations Douglas, old boy!

One of our most beloved square-dancing gals is at this writing, comfortably (we hope) ensconced at Springfield Hospital, from where we hope, she will soon be liberated in much better health. We're all sure you will be buzzing around real soon Anita, so "Cheers" and all us squares will remember you in our prayers.

See you at the dance.

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Mrs. Stern, mother of three and grandmother of 10 earned the right to call herself a master bookbinder in her native Germany 35 years ago.

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Rehearse AHS Faculty Show



Rehearsing a skit for the faculty show are, left to right, Miss Dorothy Hastings, Mr. John Porter, Miss Mary Zygarowski, and Mr. Gerald Smith. The show will be held next Wednesday evening on May 29 at 8 in the Senior High School. The Agawam Faculty Club will donate \$100 of the proceeds to the Edward W. Connelly Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund.

At Your Service

EUGENE H. LUND

Director of Veterans Services



The current G.I. Bill education and training program has been in operation less than two years. Yet, 22,285 eligible Massachusetts veterans and servicemen have entered school or training under this program, the Veterans Administration office at Boston reported today.

Since June 1, 1966, when the Veterans' Readjustment Benefits Act of 1966 educational provisions first went into effect, more than 21,400 eligible veterans and 880 servicemen have entered training.

Enrollment in school or training at the end of March 1968 stood at 13,914 veterans and 547 servicemen.

Popularly known as the "Post-Korea" or "Third Generation G.I. Bill," the 1966 Acts grants veterans with at least 181 days of military service (part of which was after January 31, 1955) up to 36 months of education and training benefits.

Viet-Nam era veterans — i.e. those with at least 181 days of service, part of which was after August 4, 1964 — and active duty military personnel with at least two years of service are included.

Nearly two-thirds — or 10,662 — of the Third Generation G.I. Bill beneficiaries on school or training rolls at the end of March were taking college level courses. This compares with about 51 per cent who entered college training under the Korean Conflict G.I. Bill and less than 30 per cent who pursued college level courses under the World War II G.I. Bill.

Veterans and servicemen entered in below-college-level training at the end of March totaled 3,573 with veterans accounting for nearly 85 per cent of this number.

Since October 1, 1967, when on-the-job, flight and cooperative farm training were added to the Third Generation G.I. Bill curriculum of approved training, nearly 226 veterans entered on-the-job training. An additional

200 veterans had enrolled in flight training courses as of March 31, 1968.

Another provision of the Veterans' Pension and Readjustment Assistance Act of 1967 relating to education and training permits veterans to complete high school, while receiving educational assistance allowances from VA, without having any of their entitlement to college level training reduced.

In only six months, between last October and the end of March 1968, more than 600 veterans had entered training to complete high school or college qualifying courses.

Veterans interested in attending school this summer or fall should contact the Veterans Administration Contact Division, Room E-116, John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Government Center, Boston or the VA Office, 1200 Main Street, Springfield.

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My Beat — A.H.S.

Jo-Ann Della-Giustina

Recently the International Relations Club held its annual "Bring-a-Guest" meeting in the high school cafeteria. The speaker was an Indian resident of the ABC islands in South America.

He discussed the history, climate, and languages of his country, which has 44 nationalities within its borders. Means of living is mostly from the oil industry and tourism.

Also described was the country's money system, sports, and school system. Ann Burgamaster and Linda Farnsworth were chairmen of the meeting. Refreshments were served.

JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

Tomorrow night at 8 p. m. the AHS gym will be filled with splendor as the 1968 Junior-Senior Prom, "Rhapsody in Blue" begins. Playing the theme song, as well as the rest of the music, will be the Mickey Williams Quintet. This year's Prom queen will be chosen by the receiving line. As the doors close at 12 o'clock, the end of four months hard work will come.

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V.F.W. Post 1632 and Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSONNETTE

May 8 — At this meeting of the Auxiliary, Anna D. Bissonnette was elected Delegate to the National Convention and the registration fee sent in.

Bill No. 14635 from Congress was read and all the ladies were asked to write their congressman. This concerns the increasing of pensions. . please write to-day. We are contributing to the "Rice For Life" Project and received a "thank you" for having donated to the "Tet Project". . helping the victims of Vietnam.

Two History books have been submitted to the Dept. of Massachusetts for judging on history and community service. Happy to say that when all had been put together it totaled a sum of 2,600 inches of publicity.

Miss Margaret Gleason of the VA Hospital thanked us for a job well done. We in turn thank the Choral Singers from Agawam who donated their time and whom the patients enjoyed so much.

Names of the "Scholarship" Winners will be announced at the Graduation exercises at the High School. President Venetta Snyder thanks all the ladies who took time to select the winners.

May 17 — The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and Auxiliary Installation held on Friday was a fabulous affair and we received many compliments from the District and Department dignitaries. Decorations were in red, white and blue and flowers were plentiful. The ladies being installed and the installing personnel were all presented corsages.

Past President Venetta Snyder, President Emily Dias, Past Commander Adelman and "Sugar" McLean, Editor of the Agawam Independent, were given awards and gifts. Receiving their pins according to their office were Commander Harpin, Quartermaster Bissonnette and Service officer Orville Burt.

Highlight of the evening was when Channel 22-WWLP showed the three top officers of the Post and Auxiliary on their 11 p. m. news. Pictured were: Commander Harpin, Senior Vice Commander Netkovich and QM Bissonnette, and for the ladies, President Emily Dias, Senior Vice-President Katherine Dickinson and Treasurer Anna D. Bissonnette.

Among the dignitaries were: Commander of Post No. 70, George Fogarty; Selectman George Reynolds; Commander Clarence Raymond; District 7 Commander Robert Archambault and Past District 7 Commander Daniel Racicot.

The Ladies included Past Department President Mrs. Inez Goss; Dept. Senior Vice President Mrs. Pearl Plouffe; Secretary Sue Heyer — member of No. 625, Chicopee; and the Color Guard included: District 7 President Lou Monette; Past President of No. 70 Millie Fraichard; Past President of No. 6714 Viola Ducharme; and Past President of No. 70 Lillian Smith. During installation the pianist was Daniel Racicot, Jr.

For dancing we heard Frank Demaio and his men. (Hope I've not omitted anyone).

Seen around the smorgasbord table were: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cascio, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kane, Mr. and Mrs. Josh Caty, Mr. Frank Kingsley, Mrs. Anna

Verteramo, Mrs. Anna Newman and John Quill of Channel 22. (Too numerous to mention).

AROUND POST HOME

Ellie Appleman — lucky gal; Need help on the pavillion, on the Flag pole base and clean-up.

SYMPATHY

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dias and family on the death of their cousin, Dave McKenna, on May 16.

Are you people who are well keeping tract of our sick list? Ida Bondi still in the hospital. Let's keep in touch. . .A.D.B.

4 H Groups Sponsor Flea Market June 1

The 4 H's of this area will have a Flea Market on Saturday, June 1 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Masonic Temple on Elm St., West Springfield, where they will be selling anything from foods to furniture and jewels to junk.

Some of the foods and articles are baked beans, home-made noodles, homemade bread, aprons, books, bottles, air conditioner, marble top dresser, beach bags, annual plants, empire sofa and many other items too numerous to mention.

This fund raising activity is sponsored by the 4 H's with the General Chairman being Joseph Dupuis of West Springfield. Other 4 H leaders and their groups are Mrs. Howard Burnham and the Butternuts; Mrs. Richard Faust and The Busy Bees; Mrs. Ralph Criscio and The 4 H Diggers; Mrs. Joseph Dupuis and The Mixers, the younger group and The Nifty Needles the older group; Mrs. Leonard Brennan, president of the Leaders Association and Mrs. Michael Demko, a Service Club Advisor.

The proceeds of the affair will be used for the 4 H Foundation and Local Clubs, the 4 H Exchange Trip to Maryland this summer, and the 4 H IFYE (INTERNATIONAL FARMER YOUTH EXCHANGE) Program. The public is invited.

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Questions and Answers

Although medicare has been in effect for over a year and a half, there are indications that some people may not be filing claims for medical insurance benefits because of lack of knowledge of the method for filing.

According to Daniel J. Murphy Jr., district manager at the Springfield Social Security Office, some individuals had incurred the \$50 medical deductible early last year but have not yet claimed reimbursement for 80 per cent of the reasonable charges for physicians' services and medical supplies in excess of the deductible.

Also, there are many who do not understand that medical expenses incurred in the last calendar quarter of a year can, in some cases, count toward meeting the \$50 deductible for the following year. Individuals who need help in filing a medical insurance claim or need more information on medical benefits are urged to get in touch with their social security office or a social security representative when he visits their area.

Mr. Murphy further stated that the filing of the first claim can be confusing and that the social security people wish to help in every way possible.

The Social Security District Office is located at 145 State St., Springfield, Mass.

Q. My wife died four years ago and left me with two small children. I received only a lump sum payment when she died. The person who took care of my claim explained that since my wife did not work a year and a half in the three years before she died I could not get benefits for the children. My wife worked under social security for over 10 years and stopped when our first child was born. Is there some change in the social security law whereby I can now receive payments for the children?

A. Yes, definitely, you can now receive benefits for the children. Since you received a lump sum death payment, she had worked long enough to be fully insured. You stated you were advised that no benefits could be paid for the

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